

DAVIDSON

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BASEBALL

2019 SCHEDULE / RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Feb. 16	TOWSON	W, 13-5
Feb. 16	TOWSON	W, 15-3
Feb. 17	TOWSON	W, 4-1
Feb. 19	at DUKE	L, 7-3
Feb. 23	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON (DH)	Canceled
Feb. 24	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	Canceled
Feb. 26	at N.C. A&T	W, 8-0
Feb. 27	USC-UPSTATE	L, 9-7
March 2	TOLEDO	L, 13-5
March 2	TOLEDO	W, 11-5
March 3	TOLEDO	W, 3-2
March 5	at Vanderbilt	1 p.m. (CST)
March 8	RICHMOND*	6 p.m.
March 9	RICHMOND*	2 p.m.
March 10	RICHMOND*	1 p.m.
March 12	at USC-Upstate	6 p.m.
March 13	vs. Winthrop#	6:05 p.m.
March 15	NORTH ALABAMA	6 p.m.
March 16	NORTH ALABAMA	2 p.m.
March 17	NORTH ALABAMA	12 p.m.
March 19	PRESBYTERIAN	6 p.m.
March 22	LA SALLE*	6 p.m.
March 23	LA SALLE*	2 p.m.
March 24	LA SALLE*	1 p.m.
March 26	Duke	6 p.m.
March 29	at VCU*	6:30 p.m.
March 30	at VCU*	2 p.m.
March 31	at VCU*	1 p.m.
April 2	at North Carolina	6 p.m.
April 3	at Gardner-Webb	6 p.m.
April 5	N.C. CENTRAL	6 p.m.
April 6	at N.C. Central	6 p.m.
April 7	N.C. CENTRAL	1 p.m.
April 9	at Winthrop	6 p.m.
April 12	RHODE ISLAND*	6 p.m.
April 13	RHODE ISLAND*	2 p.m.
April 14	RHODE ISLAND*	1 p.m.
April 16	PRESBYTERIAN	6 p.m.
April 19	at George Washington*	3 p.m.
April 20	at George Washington*	1 p.m.
April 21	at George Washington*	12 p.m.
April 23	at Presbyterian	3 p.m.
April 26	SAINT LOUIS*	6 p.m.
April 27	SAINT LOUIS*	2 p.m.
April 28	SAINT LOUIS*	1 p.m.
May 1	N.C. A&T	6 p.m.
May 3	at UMASS*	3 p.m.
May 4	at UMASS*	1 p.m.
May 5	at UMASS*	12 p.m.
May 7	at Wake Forest	6 p.m.
May 16	at St. Bonaventure* (DH)	12 p.m.
May 17	at St. Bonaventure*	12 p.m.
May 22-25	Atlantic 10 Tourn.^	TBA

* Atlantic 10 Conference game

At BB&T Ballpark, Charlotte, N.C.

^ At Houlahan Park, The Bronx, N.Y.



SERIES AT A GLANCE

Dates, Times..... March 5, 1 p.m. (CST)
 Location..... Nashville, Tenn.
 Stadium Charles Hawkins Field
 Capacity 3,626
 Dimensions... LF (310), CF (400), RF (330)
 Live Stats..... DavidsonWildcats.com
 Live Video ESPN+
 Series History..... Vanderbilt leads 2-1



Game No. 10: at Vanderbilt

Back in Nashville

On its way to the 2017 Atlantic 10 Conference Tournament in St. Louis, Davidson practiced at Vanderbilt.

After that quick stop in Nashville, the Wildcats won eight of their next nine games to secure the A-10 and Chapel Hill Regional titles and land in their first NCAA Super Regional.

Davidson (6-3) is hopeful this week's return trip to Vanderbilt will be memorable for its own reasons. This time, they'll face the host Commodores — the No. 1 team in the country.

Vanderbilt (9-2) has reached 13 straight NCAA Tournaments, made three College World Series appearances (2011, 2014, 2015) and won the 2014 national title to establish itself as one of the premier programs.

Now the Wildcats get to play the Commodores for the first time since 1980.

"You view it as an opportunity," said Eric Jones, who is hitting a team-best .343. "We're just really excited and looking forward to the chance to do something big. There's no downside for us."

Davidson is coming off a jam-packed weekend series with Toledo that included three games in just more than 24 hours. The Wildcats won the last two of those.

Tuesday's game (first pitch 2 p.m. EST) is also a homecoming for head coach Rucker Taylor, who was a Vanderbilt infielder. The 2006 graduate helped the Commodores reach their first Super Regional in 2004, and his former coach will be in the other dugout. Tim Corbin is in his 17th season leading the Commodores.

"For me personally, it will be fun to be back on campus and see friends," said Taylor. "Vanderbilt had a large impact on me, and I think, at least indirectly, a lot of what we do and try to

PITCHING PROBABLES

TUESDAY

Davidson: Blake Hely, Fr. RHP
 2019: 0-0, 0.00 ERA, 3 IP

Vanderbilt: Chance Huff, Fr. RHP
 2019: 1-0, 7.71 ERA, 9.1 IP

2019 STATISTICAL COMPARISON

DAVIDSON (6-3)	VANDERBILT (9-2)
Offense	
.251	Batting Average325
69	Runs Scored 83
78	Hits 124
12	Doubles 19
2	Triples 5
12	Home Runs 10
59	RBI 71
47	Walks 62
93	Strikeouts 76
5-6	Stolen Bases-Attempts 11-16
.367/.418	On-Base/Slugging428/.479
Pitching/Defense	
4.16	Team ERA 4.45
78	Hits Allowed 84
45	Runs Allowed 51
84	Strikeouts 140
27	Walks Allowed 50
.245	Opposing Batting Average227
.951	Fielding Percentage985
16	Errors 6

do at Davidson has some Vanderbilt DNA in it."

This is the second of four games the Wildcats will play against teams that were in the Super Regionals last year. Davidson lost at Duke 7-3 on Feb. 19 and will play the Blue Devils

DAVIDSON BASEBALL

EST. 1902

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	Davidson, N.C.
Founded	1837
Enrollment	1,900
Colors	Red and Black
Nickname	Wildcats
Conference	Atlantic 10
Affiliation	NCAA Division I
President	Carol Quillen (Chicago '83)
Athletic Director	Chris Clunie (Davidson '06)
Facility	Wilson Field (700)
Dimensions	LF (320), CF (385), RF (330)
Press Box Phone	704-894-2740

PROGRAM HISTORY

First Year	1902
All-Time Record	1373-2020-14 (.405)
All-Time SoCon* Record	409-640-1 (.356)
All-Time Big South** Record	20-14
All-Time A-10 Record	52-42
Record All-Time vs. A-10 Opponents	96-79
Most Wins in Single Season	35 (2017)

*Competed 1947-88, 1993-2014

**Competed 1991-92

TEAM INFORMATION

2018 Record	33-21
2018 A-10 Record (Finish)	14-10 (T-5th)
2018 A-10 Tournament Record	1-2
Home/Road/Neutral	21-12/11-9/1-0
Starters Returning/Lost	6/3

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Rucker Taylor (Vanderbilt '06)
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Career Record	6-3 (1st Season)
Davidson Record	Same
Assistant Coach/Recruiting Coordinator	Ryan Munger (Duke '13)
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.....	6th Season
Assistant Coach	Parker Bangs (South Carolina '10)
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.....	1st Season
Volunteer Assistant	Kyle Lindquist (Marietta '12)
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.....	1st Season

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Senior Max Bazin is back to anchor the defense from the shortstop position.

at home March 26. There's also a matchup at North Carolina April 2.

Newsmakers

Jones and fellow infielder Matt Frey hit over .400 this past week, which began with single games against N.C. A&T and USC Upstate.

Frey hit .467 (7-for-15) with two doubles and five RBI. He moved up in the lineup and drove in the first two runs in the 3-2 Sunday win over Toledo.

Jones hit .409 (9-for-22) and had four multi-hit games, including a three-hit performance in Saturday's nightcap against Toledo.

Ruben Fontes hit three home runs in the week to take his team-leading total to four. His latest snapped Sunday's 2-2 tie in the eighth inning.

Wildcats chosen third

Davidson is picked to finish third in the 13-team Atlantic 10, the conference announced Feb. 12.

Saint Louis received nine first-place votes and is picked to repeat as conference champion, followed by VCU, which had two first-place votes. Davidson and Fordham, picked fourth, received the other first-place nods.

Captain 'Cats

Davidson seniors Jones, Max Bazin and Casey Sutherland are serving as captains this season. All played key roles for a Wildcats team that won a school-record 32 regular season games last spring.

While anchoring the defense from behind the plate last season, Jones also led the Wildcats offensively, including in batting average (.333), on-base percentage (.443), hits (67), doubles (14), home runs (11, along with Justin Lebek) and RBI (60). The Charlotte native (South Mecklenburg High) was named Collegiate Baseball National Player of the Week Feb. 26 after going 6-for-13 with three home runs, 17 RBI and a 1.308 slugging percentage and was a second-team selection in the A-10.

Bazin, another former South Meck standout, hit .301 with seven doubles and hit two triples, tying for the team lead.

The right-handed Sutherland (Apopka, Fla.) was 2-1 last year with a 2.47 ERA and a team-leading six saves in 21 appearances and 43.2 innings.

Bazin and Sutherland were named to the A-10 All-Academic Team.

2019 SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY

15	Friday	TOWSON	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
16	Saturday	TOWSON	Davidson, N.C.	2 p.m.
17	Sunday	TOWSON	Davidson, N.C.	1 p.m.
19	Tuesday	at Duke	Durham, N.C.	4 p.m.
22	Friday	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
23	Saturday	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	Davidson, N.C.	2 p.m.
24	Sunday	FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON	Davidson, N.C.	1 p.m.
26	Tuesday	at NC A&T	Greensboro, N.C.	TBA
27	Wednesday	USC-UPSTATE	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.

MARCH

1	Friday	TOLEDO	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
2	Saturday	TOLEDO	Davidson, N.C.	2 p.m.
3	Sunday	TOLEDO	Davidson, N.C.	1 p.m.
5	Tuesday	at Vanderbilt	Nashville, Tenn.	1 p.m. (CST)
8	Friday	RICHMOND*	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
9	Saturday	RICHMOND*	Davidson, N.C.	2 p.m.
10	Sunday	RICHMOND*	Davidson, N.C.	1 p.m.
12	Tuesday	at USC-Upstate	Spartanburg, S.C.	6 p.m.
13	Wednesday	vs. WINTHROP	Charlotte, N.C. (BB&T Ballpark)	6:05 p.m.
15	Friday	NORTH ALABAMA	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
16	Saturday	NORTH ALABAMA	Davidson, N.C.	2 p.m.
17	Sunday	NORTH ALABAMA	Davidson, N.C.	12 p.m.
19	Tuesday	PRESBYTERIAN	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
22	Friday	LA SALLE*	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
23	Saturday	LA SALLE*	Davidson, N.C.	2 p.m.
24	Sunday	LA SALLE*	Davidson, N.C.	1 p.m.
26	Tuesday	DUKE	Davidson, N.C.	4 p.m.
29	Friday	at VCU*	Richmond, Va.	6:30 p.m.
30	Saturday	at VCU*	Richmond, Va.	2 p.m.
31	Sunday	at VCU*	Richmond, Va.	1 p.m.

APRIL

2	Tuesday	at North Carolina	Chapel Hill, N.C.	6 p.m.
3	Wednesday	at Gardner-Webb	Boiling Springs, N.C.	6 p.m.
5	Friday	N.C. CENTRAL	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
6	Saturday	at N.C. Central	Durham, N.C.	6 p.m.
7	Sunday	N.C. CENTRAL	Davidson, N.C.	1 p.m.
9	Tuesday	at Winthrop	Rock Hill, S.C.	6 p.m.
12	Friday	RHODE ISLAND*	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
13	Saturday	RHODE ISLAND*	Davidson, N.C.	2 p.m.
14	Sunday	RHODE ISLAND*	Davidson, N.C.	1 p.m.
16	Tuesday	PRESBYTERIAN	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
19	Friday	at George Washington*	Washington, D.C.	TBA
20	Saturday	at George Washington*	Washington, D.C.	TBA
21	Sunday	at George Washington*	Washington, D.C.	TBA
23	Tuesday	at Presbyterian	Clinton, S.C.	3 p.m.
26	Friday	SAINT LOUIS*	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
27	Saturday	SAINT LOUIS*	Davidson, N.C.	2 p.m.
28	Sunday	SAINT LOUIS*	Davidson, N.C.	1 p.m.

MAY

1	Tuesday	N.C. A&T	Davidson, N.C.	6 p.m.
3	Friday	at UMass*	Amherst, Mass.	3 p.m.
4	Saturday	at UMass*	Amherst, Mass.	1 p.m.
5	Sunday	at UMass*	Amherst, Mass.	12 p.m.
7	Tuesday	at Wake Forest	Winston-Salem, N.C.	6 p.m.
16	Thursday	at St. Bonaventure* (DH)	Olean, N.Y.	TBA
17	Friday	at St. Bonaventure*	Olean, N.Y.	TBA
22-25	Wed.-Sat.	Atlantic 10 Tournament	The Bronx, N.Y.	TBA

ALL-TIME SERIES

Record, Last meeting

DUKE
32-114-1, 2018

FAIRLEIGH DICKINSON
3-0, 2017

GARDNER-WEBB
18-9, 2017

GEORGE WASHINGTON
18-6, 2017

LA SALLE
6-1, 2017

UMASS
6-2, 2017

NC A&T
22-2, 2018

N.C. CENTRAL
12-1, 2018

NORTH ALABAMA
0-0, N/A

NORTH CAROLINA
24-91, 2017

PRESBYTERIAN
11-11, 2017

RHODE ISLAND
5-9, 2018

RICHMOND
19-28, 2018

SAINT LOUIS
8-7, 2018

ST. BONAVENTURE
6-1, 2017

TOLEDO
0-0, N/A

TOWSON
0-0, N/A

USC-UPSTATE
1-1, 2013

VANDERBILT
1-2, 1980

VCU
9-10, 2018

WAKE FOREST
29-100-2, 2018

WINTHROP
14-30-1, 2018

2019 STATS

Statistics Summary for Davidson College (as of Mar 04, 2019)

(All games)

Record: 6-3 Home: 5-2 Away: 1-1 : 0-0

Date	Opponent	Score	Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	bb	hbp	so	sb-att
2/15	TOWSON	w 13-5	27 NOLAN, Parker	.667	3-0	3	2	2	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0-0
2/16	TOWSON	w 15-3	2 BURTON, Luke	.500	2-0	2	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0-0
2/16	TOWSON	w 4-1	6 JONES, Eric	.343	9-9	35	7	12	2	0	1	3	4	2	4	1-2
2/19	at Duke	l 3-7	36 NUSSBAUM, Zac	.333	6-5	21	4	7	0	0	1	2	0	1	7	0-0
2/26	at North Carolina A&T	w 8-0	4 LOWE, Greg	.333	4-0	3	1	1	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	0-0
2/27	USC UPSTATE	l 7-9	24 FREY, Matt	.320	9-9	25	5	8	3	0	0	6	3	4	6	0-0
3/2	TOLEDO	l 5-13	30 COLEMAN, Ward	.286	6-3	7	1	2	0	0	0	5	5	2	3	0-0
3/2	TOLEDO	w 11-5	13 FONTES, Ruben	.278	9-9	36	9	10	0	2	4	12	5	0	9	0-0
3/3	TOLEDO	w 3-2	5 CENTRACCHIO,	.243	9-9	37	5	9	1	0	0	7	1	1	12	3-3
			31 MARDINEY, Alex	.231	9-9	26	8	6	0	0	2	6	10	0	7	0-0
			21 BAZIN, Max	.229	9-9	35	11	8	1	0	0	1	6	0	8	0-0
			1 CANDELARIA, Tr	.172	9-9	29	3	5	3	0	1	9	2	1	15	0-0
			8 GRAVELY, Matt	.167	6-0	6	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0-0
			7 LEBEK, Justin	.162	9-9	37	8	6	1	0	1	3	1	1	10	1-1
			10 HOSMER, John	.000	3-0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0-0
			16 FEDJE-JOHNSON	.000	3-1	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	0-0
			15 IMWALLE, Walke	.000	3-0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0-0
			39 JOBE, Alex	.000	3-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0-0
			Totals	.251	9	311	69	78	12	2	12	59	47	13	93	5-6
			Opponents	.245	9	319	45	78	15	1	6	42	27	9	84	7-11

Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sh	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so
14 HELY, Blake	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	3.0	2	1	0	1	1
19 TAKAC, Noah	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	2.2	0	1	0	2	4
18 CASEY, Kieran	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	2.0	0	0	0	1	2
34 LEVY, Gabe	0.82	1-0	3	1	0	0	1	11.0	8	1	1	1	8
33 HUDSON, Josh	1.20	1-0	3	2	0	0	0	15.0	11	2	2	1	20
23 SUTHERLAND, C	1.29	1-0	2	1	0	0	0	7.0	5	3	1	0	7
22 SPEAR, Dan	2.45	0-0	3	0	0	0	1	7.1	6	2	2	7	7
9 BLOOMBERG, Pet	2.45	0-0	3	0	0	0	1	3.2	1	2	1	2	5
17 LEONARD, Austi	5.06	1-0	3	0	0	0	0	5.1	5	3	3	2	9
42 BARRY, Allen	8.71	2-1	3	3	0	0	0	10.1	13	10	10	5	12
20 FENTON, Alex	9.00	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	3.0	8	3	3	0	2
2 BURTON, Luke	10.38	0-1	3	0	0	0	0	4.1	11	8	5	1	3
35 REINERTSEN, Sa	14.54	0-1	2	2	0	0	0	4.1	5	7	7	4	3
32 KING, Charlie	18.00	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	1.0	3	2	2	0	1
Totals	4.16	6-3	9	9	0	1	3	80.0	78	45	37	27	84
Opponents	6.16	3-6	9	9	0	0	1	76.0	78	69	52	47	93

Score by innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Davidson College	8	4	5	9	10	13	6	9	5	69
Opponents	2	7	15	2	1	1	11	3	3	45

Win-loss breakouts: Day 3-2; Night 3-1; vs Left 1-2; vs Right 5-1;
 1-run games 1-0; 2-run games 0-1; 5+run games 4-1; Extra inns 0-0; Shutouts 1-0.
 Current streak: Won 2; Longest winning streak: 3; Longest losing streak: 2.
 Attendance: Home 1782 (avg 254); Away 229 (avg 114); Total 2011 (avg 223).

2018 FINAL STATS

(All games)

Record: 33-21 Home: 21-12 Away: 11-9 Neutral: 1-0 : 14-10

Date	Opponent	Score	Player	avg	gp-gs	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	bb	hbp	so	sb-att
2/16	LAFAYETTE	w 4-0	6 JONES, Eric	.333	54-54	201	42	67	14	1	11	60	37	4	36	2-5
2/18	LAFAYETTE	w 2-1	10 JOHNSON, Cam	.313	39-39	150	36	47	9	2	6	21	24	3	37	12-13
2/18	LAFAYETTE	L 3-6	21 BAZIN, Max	.301	53-53	183	27	55	7	2	2	14	24	4	38	5-8
2/20	WAKE FOREST	w 3-1	11 BORN, Andrew	.292	45-38	154	34	45	7	1	1	12	20	10	29	11-14
2/23	GEORGETOWN	w 9-2	31 MARDINEY, Alex	.272	50-46	173	25	47	11	1	2	28	16	9	50	9-11
2/24	GEORGETOWN	w 16-5	5 CENTRACCHIO,	.263	54-54	213	44	56	4	1	10	40	30	5	66	7-7
2/25	GEORGETOWN	w 10-5	30 COLEMAN, Ward	.260	54-54	200	21	52	7	1	3	32	21	8	42	0-1
2/27	at N.C. A&T	w 12-3	7 LEBEK, Justin	.258	54-53	194	39	50	10	1	11	39	25	11	66	3-4
3/2	LEHIGH	L 1-4	4 ACOSTA, Alec	.250	54-54	200	36	50	11	1	5	38	24	14	36	3-3
3/3	LEHIGH	w 7-3	-----													
3/4	LEHIGH	L 1-7	16 FEDJE-JOHNSON	.500	4-0	2	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0-0
3/6	at #19 Virginia	L 1-12	13 FONTES, Ruben	.333	5-0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0-0
3/10	YALE	w 9-0	2 BURTON, Luke	.333	7-0	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0-0
3/10	YALE	L 5-7	24 FREY, Matt	.250	22-0	36	4	9	1	0	2	5	2	1	14	0-0
3/13	HARVARD	w 13-3	15 IMWALLE, Walke	.226	25-7	53	9	12	2	0	5	9	7	1	33	0-0
3/14	NC CENTRAL	w 10-2	36 NUSSBAUM, Zac	.143	23-10	35	6	5	1	0	1	7	5	1	15	0-0
3/16	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	w 9-1	40 LOWE, Greg	.132	32-7	38	9	5	0	0	0	3	16	2	19	0-0
3/17	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	w 4-2	14 LOOKE, Garrison	.000	2-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
3/18	MOUNT ST. MARY'S	w 18-7	42 BARRY, Allen	.000	9-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
3/21	at Winthrop	L 0-3	38 ROBERTS, Evan	.000	8-8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0-0
*3/23	FORDHAM	w 5-4	Totals	.274	54	1839	335	503	85	11	60	309	252	73	484	52-66
*3/24	FORDHAM	L 2-5	Opponents	.264	54	1838	265	486	87	6	31	232	181	42	363	45-69
*3/25	FORDHAM	L 4-5														
3/27	at South Carolina	L 4-5	Player	era	w-l	app	gs	cg	sh	sv	ip	h	r	er	bb	so
*3/30	at Rhode Island	w 12-2	38 ROBERTS, Evan	3.49	7-6	15	14	3	1	0	95.1	107	51	37	23	59
*3/31	at Rhode Island	w 6-2	42 BARRY, Allen	3.83	8-2	14	14	0	0	0	80.0	85	38	34	24	75
*4/1	at Rhode Island	w 6-1	33 HUDSON, Josh	6.55	4-4	13	13	0	0	0	57.2	64	46	42	28	34
4/3	at Wake Forest	L 5-15	-----													
*4/6	GEORGE MASON	w 4-3	27 BIEDERMAN, Jak	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0.2	0	0	0	1	0
*4/7	GEORGE MASON	L 0-2	23 SUTHERLAND, C	2.47	2-1	21	1	0	0	6	43.2	34	14	12	7	33
*4/8	GEORGE MASON	w 9-5	17 LEONARD, Austi	2.86	2-1	23	0	0	0	2	22.0	17	8	7	12	23
4/10	at #14 Duke	L 0-5	19 GORDON, Conno	2.96	7-3	20	5	0	0	1	48.2	47	28	16	24	40
*4/13	at Saint Joseph's	w 18-6	34 BLOOMBERG, Pe	3.34	1-0	19	2	0	0	0	29.2	33	15	11	14	18
*4/14	at Saint Joseph's	L 3-6	22 SPEAR, Dan	3.38	0-0	6	0	0	0	0	5.1	3	3	2	3	3
*4/14	at Saint Joseph's	w 7-3	35 REINERTSEN, Sa	3.38	0-0	3	0	0	0	0	2.2	5	1	1	0	2
4/17	WINTHROP	w 12-2	18 ASHUR, Andrew	3.65	1-0	13	0	0	0	0	12.1	13	7	5	11	7
*4/20	at Richmond	w 6-2	12 LaCAGNINA, Jar	3.97	1-4	15	5	0	0	0	45.1	42	25	20	23	48
*4/21	at Richmond	w 3-0	20 SMUTZER, Josh	6.53	0-0	17	0	0	0	0	20.2	19	15	15	5	8
*4/22	at Richmond	L 6-10	26 ZABINSKI, ZJ	6.55	0-0	15	0	0	0	0	11.0	15	12	8	5	11
*4/27	VCU	w 10-9	32 KING, Charlie	9.00	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	1.0	2	2	1	1	2
*4/28	VCU	L 1-14	Totals	3.91	33-21	54	54	3	4	9	476.0	486	265	207	181	363
*4/29	VCU	w 13-9	Opponents	5.72	21-33	54	54	0	3	12	465.1	503	335	296	252	484
5/2	CHARLESTON SOUTHE	w 4-3														
*5/4	at Saint Louis Univ.	w 4-3	Score by innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total			
*5/5	at Saint Louis Univ.	w 9-5	Davidson	59	31	37	33	39	54	34	28	20	335			
*5/6	at Saint Louis Univ.	L 3-11	Opponents	24	25	48	32	28	34	34	25	15	265			
5/8	at NC Central	w 7-0														
5/9	PRESBYTERIAN	w 8-4	Win-loss breakouts: Day 20-14; Night 13-7; vs Left 8-5; vs Right 25-16;													
*5/17	DAYTON	L 5-9	1-run games 6-2; 2-run games 2-3; 5+run games 14-8; Extra inns 0-0; Shutouts 4-3.													
*5/19	DAYTON	L 1-12	Current streak: Lost 2; Longest winning streak: 5; Longest losing streak: 3.													
*5/19	DAYTON	L 6-8	Attendance: Home 9848 (avg 298); Away 12940 (avg 616); Total 22788 (avg 422).													
5/23	vs Richmond	w 6-2														
5/24	at Saint Louis Univ.	L 5-11														
5/24	RICHMOND	L 4-8														

^ = Conference game

2019 WILDCATS ROSTER

No./Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School
1 Trevor Candelaria	OF	R/R	6-1	190	Fr.	Durango, Colo./Montverde Academy
2 Luke Burton	IF/RHP	R/R	5-10	170	So.	Charlottesville, Va./Covenant
4 Greg Lowe	OF	R/R	6-0	195	Jr.	Danville, Calif./San Ramon Valley
5 Brett Centracchio	UTIL	L/R	5-11	221	Jr.	Alpharetta, Ga./Milton
6 Eric Jones	UTIL	R/R	6-0	193	Sr.	Charlotte, N.C./South Mecklenburg
7 Justin Lebek	OF	R/R	6-2	210	Sr.	Wilton, Conn./The Taft School
8 Matthew Gravely	IF	R/R	6-2	192	Fr.	Johns Creek, Ga./Johns Creek
9 Pete Bloomberg	RHP	R/R	5-10	198	So.	Morrisville, N.C./Cardinal Gibbons
10 John Hosmer	C/IF	R/R	5-11	200	Fr.	Charlotte, N.C./Charlotte Country Day
11 Jake Biederman	RHP	R/R	6-0	193	Fr.	Austin, Texas/St. Michael's Academy
12 Jaret LaCagnina	LHP	L/L	5-10	171	Jr.	Naples, Fla./Naples
13 Ruben Fontes	UTIL	L/R	6-0	209	So.	Bonita, Calif./St. Augustine
14 Blake Hely	RHP	R/R	6-1	190	Fr.	Coral Springs, Fla./St. Thomas Aquinas
15 Walker Imwalle	UTIL	L/L	6-5	254	Jr.	Teachey, N.C./Wallace Rose-Hill
16 Alex Fedje-Johnson	IF	R/R	6-0	192	Jr.	Minneapolis, Minn./Minnehaha Academy
17 Austin Leonard	RHP	R/R	6-0	194	Sr.	Charlotte, N.C./Providence
18 Kieran Casey	RHP	R/R	6-3	220	So.	Jupiter, Fla./The Benjamin School
19 Noah Takac	RHP	R/R	6-3	175	Fr.	Macon, Ga./First Presbyterian Day
20 Alex Fenton	RHP	R/R	6-3	210	Fr.	Charlotte, N.C./South Mecklenburg
21 Max Bazin	IF	R/R	6-0	182	Sr.	Charlotte, N.C./South Mecklenburg
22 Dan Spear	RHP	R/R	5-10	181	Sr.	Bridgewater, N.J./Gill St. Bernard's
23 Casey Sutherland	RHP	R/R	6-3	205	Sr.	Apopka, Fla./Lake Brantley
24 Matt Frey	IF	L/R	5-11	192	Jr.	Murrysville, Pa./Franklin Regional
27 Parker Nolan	OF	R/R	6-4	190	Fr.	Wilmington, N.C./Hoggard
30 Ward Coleman	IF	R/R	6-2	218	Jr.	Wilmington, N.C./New Hanover
31 Alex Mardiney	OF	L/L	6-4	213	So.	Lutherville, Md./Gilman School
32 Charlie King	RHP	R/R	6-0	193	Jr.	Winterville, N.C./Arendell Parrot Academy
33 Josh Hudson	RHP	R/R	6-0	193	Sr.	Siler City, N.C./Jordan-Matthews
34 Gabe Levy	RHP	L/R	6-0	190	Fr.	Seattle, Wash./Ingraham
35 Sam Reinertsen	LHP	L/L	6-1	180	Sr.	San Anselmo, Calif./Branson School
36 Zach Nussbaum	C	R/R	5-10	186	Jr.	Seattle, Wash./Roosevelt
38 Casey Kruger	LHP	L/L	6-1	170	Fr.	New London, N.C./Gray Stone Day
39 Alex Jobe	C/IF	R/R	6-0	195	So.	Midlothian, Va./The Steward School
42 Allen Barry	RHP	R/R	6-1	194	Sr.	Malvern, Pa./Great Valley

ROSTER BREAKDOWN

BY CLASS

SENIORS (9): Barry, Bazin, Hudson, Jones, Lebek, Leonard, Reinertsen, Spear, Sutherland

JUNIORS (9): Centracchio, Coleman, Fedje-Johnson, Frey, Imwalle, King, LaCagnina, Lowe, Nussbaum

SOPHOMORES (7): Biederman, Bloomberg, Burton, Casey, Fontes, Jobe, Mardiney

FRESHMEN (9): Candelaria, Fenton, Gravely, Hely, Hosmer, Kruger, Levy, Nolan, Takac

BY STATE

NORTH CAROLINA (12): Bazin, Bloomberg, Coleman, Fenton, Hosmer, Hudson, Imwalle, Jones, King, Kruger, Leonard, Nolan

FLORIDA (4): Casey, Hely, LaCagnina, Sutherland

CALIFORNIA (3): Fontes, Lowe, Reinertsen

GEORGIA (3): Centracchio, Gravely, Takac

PENNSYLVANIA (2): Barry, Frey

VIRGINIA (2): Burton, Jobe

WASHINGTON (2): Levy, Nussbaum

COLORADO (1): Candelaria

CONNECTICUT (1): Lebek

MARYLAND (1): Mardiney

MINNESOTA (1): Fedje-Johnson

NEW JERSEY (1): Spear

TEXAS (1): Biederman

Pronunciation guide

1 Trevor Candelaria	Can-duh-LARRY-uh
5 Brett Centracchio	Sin-TRAH-kee-o
7 Justin Lebek	Luh-beck
11 Jake Biederman	BEE-dur-man
12 Jaret LaCagnina	LAH-cuh-neena
13 Ruben Fontes	FONT-ez
14 Blake Hely	HEEL-ee
15 Walker Imwalle	EM-wah-lay
16 Alex Fedje-Johnson	FED-gee
18 Kieran Casey	KIR-un
19 Noah Takac	TACK-iss
21 Max Bazin	BAY-zen
24 Matt Frey	Fry
31 Alex Mardiney	MAR-dih-nay
34 Gabe Levy	LEE-vee
35 Sam Reinertsen	RYE-nurt-son
36 Zach Nussbaum	Nuss-balm

RADIO/TV SPOT CHART



TREVOR
CANDELARIA



LUKE
BURTON



GREG
LOWE



BRETT
CENTRACCHIO



ERIC
JONES



JUSTIN
LEBEK



MATTHEW
GRAVELY



PETE
BLOOMBERG



JOHN
HOSMER



JAKE
BIEDERMAN



JARET
LACAGNINA



RUBEN
FONTES



BLAKE
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IMWALLE



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FREY



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MARDINEY



CHARLIE
KING



JOSH
HUDSON



GABE
LEVY



SAM
REINERTSEN



ZACH
NUSSBAUM



CASEY
KRUGER



ALEX
JOBE



ALLEN
BARRY



RUCKER TAYLOR

HEAD COACH

THE RUCKER TAYLOR FILE

Davidson

2019	Head coach
2015-18	Associate head coach
2013-14	Assistant coach

Samford

2007-12	Assistant coach
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Vanderbilt

2003-06	Infielder
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1st Season (7th overall) Vanderbilt '06

After four seasons as associate head coach and six total years on the Davidson staff, Rucker Taylor took the reins as head coach of the program in July, 2018.

It was a promotion that quickly garnered some national attention, as *Baseball America* listed Taylor in its list of Top 10 Coaches Under 40.

Taylor has made an impact at every stop. His instruction helped lead Samford to its first NCAA Regional in 2012, then Davidson to its first Regional and Super Regional in 2017. As an infielder at Vanderbilt, he was a member of the Commodores' first Super Regional team.

With Taylor filling a key role on staff, Davidson has posted at least 28 wins in each of the past five seasons and reached the Atlantic 10 Tournament all four years since joining the league, including

making back-to-back championship game appearances in 2016 and 2017. The Wildcats have ranked in the top of the league in multiple offensive categories since Taylor's tenure began and have earned national rankings in slugging and on-base percentages, home runs, and walks.

His expertise has helped 16 former players to be selected in the Major League Baseball Draft.

Atlantic 10 Success

Taylor's tutelage helped the Wildcats turn in their most successful season in program history in 2017, when they went 35-26, captured the A-10 championship for the 115-year-old program's first conference title and advanced to the NCAA Super Regionals by sweeping the Chapel Hill Regional. The Wildcats, who beat nationally ranked host North Carolina twice to advance to face Texas A&M, became just the second No. 4 seed to ever sweep an NCAA Regional.

In 2017, senior outfielder Will Robertson became the most



QUOTABLE

"Rucker Taylor is a special guy. I knew he was going to coach when he played here at Vanderbilt. What makes him different is his respect and care level for people around him — he gets it honestly from his parents. You mix his humanistic qualities with his baseball teaching habits and you have a special mentor for those young men. I am most happy for Rucker and the Davidson College community. He is a tremendous addition."

— **Tim Corbin,**
Vanderbilt Head Coach,
2015 National Champions

"I'm so proud of Rucker for what he's been able to help build at Davidson and am sure he will continue to build a solid foundation and culture within the baseball team. His care for the players and his passion for the game is a great fit at for that program."

— **Derek Johnson,**
Cincinnati Reds pitching coach

"Coach Taylor does a great job developing players and helping them get the most out of their skill sets. He teaches the game in a way his players can understand and trust. I can't wait to see where he takes the program."

— **Will Robertson '17,**
OF in Baltimore Orioles organization

"I was fortunate enough to be able to share many memories with RT since we both started at Davidson the same year. He is not only an outstanding coach/mentor, but an even better person off the field. I can't thank him enough for playing a huge part in my development and also in the development of the Davidson baseball program. I am looking forward to seeing what he can do for the program in the upcoming years because I have no doubt it will be nothing short of great."

— **Durin O'Linger '17,**
RHP in Boston Red Sox organization

decorated player in school history, earning four All-America honors, being named an NCAA Breakout Player of the Year finalist, and being taken by the Baltimore Orioles in the 30th round of the MLB Draft. Taylor's knowledge of hitting helped the Wildcats blast 71 homers, led by Robertson's single-season record of 18. Fellow senior Brian Fortier added 15, as both sluggers were named National Players of the Week during the season as well as all-conference honorees.

The Wildcats followed up that historic campaign with a 33-21 record in 2018, which included the most regular season wins in school history (32) and the program's highest winning percentage in the modern era (.611).

The 2018 Wildcats ranked in the top 20 in the



Rucker Taylor spent the last six seasons coaching alongside Dick Cooke.

nation and finished the season with a league-best 60 home runs, led by the junior duo of Eric Jones and Justin Lebek, who launched 11 each. Jones earned a National Player of the Week nod in February after driving in 17 and slugging four long balls across four games and later earned A-10 All-conference Second Team honors. Lebek turned in a strong postseason, hitting a tournament-best three home runs and being named to the A-10 All-Championship team.

The 2016 season also included a breakthrough for the Wildcats, as Davidson became the first No. 6 seed to ever reach the A-10 final. In the inaugural A-10 season in 2015, Davidson earned the No. 4 seed in the conference tournament before falling in the semifinals.

SoCon Success

With Taylor overseeing the offense, the 2014 Wildcats hit .303, which ranked 14th in the nation and second in the Southern Conference. The boost at the plate led Davidson to its then-winningest season in program history, as the Wildcats set program records for overall wins (29), SoCon wins (17) and modern-era winning percentage (.604). Davidson finished second in the SoCon for the first time since 1987, despite being picked last in the coaches' preseason poll.

In addition to hitting for average, Davidson became one of the premier power-hitting teams in the country, ranking third in the nation with 1.04 home runs per game (50 HR in 48 games), ninth in doubles per game and sixth with a .459 slugging percentage. The Wildcats hit just 15 home runs prior to Taylor's arrival in 2012 before more than doubling that total the next season with 39 home runs.

The success was not attributable to just a couple of breakout players, but rather improvement of the entire team under

Taylor's guidance. Davidson returned seven starters in 2014, and they all raised their batting averages — from a minimum of 22 points to a maximum of 130 points — for an average increase of 49 points amongst the seven. They all increased their RBI totals, and with the exception of one, all increased their home run totals.

A record six Wildcats (including a record-tying four first-teamers) were named to the 2014 All-SoCon teams, highlighted by senior slugger Forrest Brandt, who was named co-player of the year by the league's coaches. Entering his senior year as a sub-.300 hitter with four home runs and 65 RBI as a three-year starter, Brandt batted .364 with 12 home runs and 51 RBI to lead the team.

Before Davidson

Taylor spent six seasons on the Samford coaching staff, serving as the outfield coach while assisting with hitting and infielders. While there, he helped lead the Bulldogs to a program-best 41 wins in 2012 as they claimed the SoCon crown. The 2011 team won a then-school record 37 games, and the 2010 squad set school records for runs, hits, doubles, home runs, slugging percentage and RBI.

A 2006 graduate of Vanderbilt University, Taylor was a two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member and spent time as a middle infielder and designated hitter for the Commodores. Taylor was a member of two NCAA Regional teams and was among the team leaders in fielding percentage all four seasons, and on-base percentage during his final two.

Taylor hails from Montrose, Ala., and had a stellar career at Bayside Academy where he still holds numerous single season and career records. Taylor earned his M.B.A. from Samford in 2008.

'Cats open 2019 with high hopes

Rucker Taylor is entering his first season as Davidson's head baseball coach, but he's already spent six seasons in the Davidson dugout as an assistant.

So the new era of Wildcats baseball already feels pretty familiar as the 2019 season gets underway when Towson visits for a three-game weekend series at Wilson Field.

Having continuity in the program Dick Cooke spent the past 28 seasons leading is key, considering the Wildcats have been trending in the right direction. That includes five straight seasons of at least 28 wins and the magical 2017 campaign that included 35 wins and the program's first conference title and NCAA Super Regional appearance. Last year, the Wildcats won a program-best 32 games in the regular season.

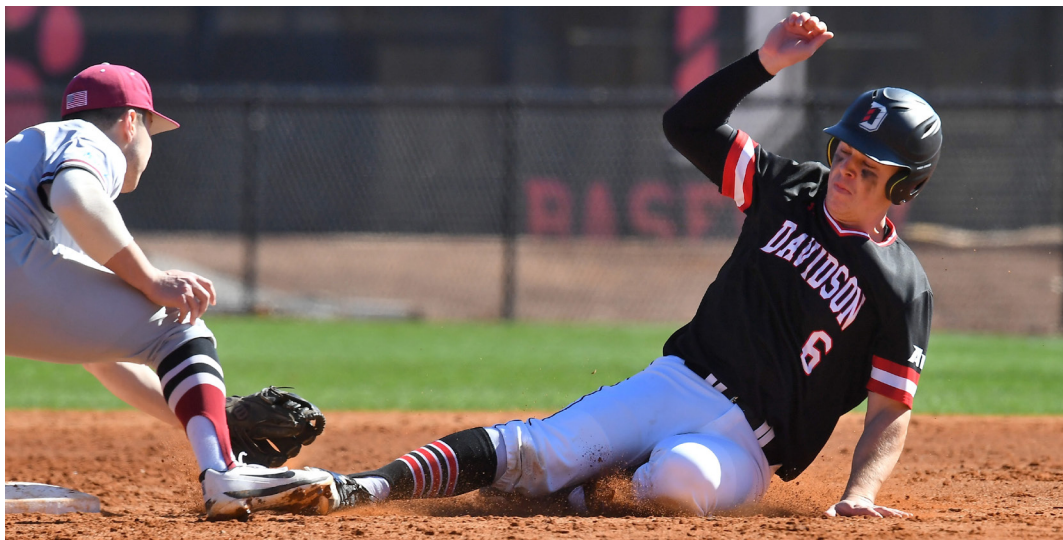
Now it's on to 2019, and Taylor likes what he sees when he looks at the roster or gazes out on the field.

"On paper and from what we've seen in practice so far, it's the deepest team we've had since I've been here, both positionally and on the mound," said Taylor. "I think we'll use a lot of different lineups early on because a lot of guys have earned opportunities."

In the field

The Wildcats return a group of seasoned veterans to lead the way, including senior catcher/infielder Eric Jones, who earned Atlantic 10 Second Team honors last season. He led the Wildcats in most offensive categories, including batting average (.333), on-base percentage (.443), slugging percentage (.577), hits (67), doubles (14), home runs (11) and RBI (60). Taylor believes he's poised for another standout season.

"Eric, like the other seniors, has done



Senior Eric Jones returns after hitting a team-best .333 with 11 home runs last year.

a great job of setting a positive example this year, and we believe he will have another great year," said Taylor.

Jones spent most of last season behind the plate after starting at third base on the Super Regional team. Three other starters from that 2017 team remain, including senior shortstop Max Bazin, senior outfielder Justin Lebek and junior utilityman Brett Centracchio, who served as designated hitter during the memorable postseason run.

Bazin joins Jones, his former South Mecklenburg High teammate, as the team's only returning .300 hitters (.301), while Lebek tied Jones for the 2018 team lead with 11 home runs, and Centracchio hit 10. Centracchio and Lebek combined to drive in 79 runs.

Redshirt junior infielder Ward Coleman and redshirt sophomore outfielder Alex Mardiney also return to

the regular lineup. Mardiney was an A-10 All-Rookie Team selection last year after hitting .272 with 11 doubles, and he is the team's top returning base stealer with nine in 2018. Coleman was one of four Wildcats to start all 54 games (also Centracchio, Jones and 2018 graduate Alec Acosta) and hit .260.

Junior Zach Nussbaum gives the Wildcats a solid defensive option behind the plate and the ability to move Jones around, while fellow returners Alex Fedje-Johnson (Jr. IF), Ruben Fontes (Soph. C/DH), Matt Frey (Jr. IF), Walker Imwalle (R-Jr. 1B/OF) and Greg Lowe (R-Jr. OF) should see increased roles. Imwalle, a 6-5, 254-pound redshirt junior, hit five home runs in just 53 at-bats last year, and Fontes has had one of the hottest bats in preseason practice.

Freshmen Trevor Candelaria (OF), Parker Nolan (OF), Matthew Gravelly (IF) and John Hosmer (C/IF) are promising newcomers. Sophomore utilityman Alex Jobe returns to add depth.

On the mound

The Wildcats have experience and depth on the rubber, too.

Senior right-hander Casey Sutherland transitions to a starter role after flourishing out of the bullpen last year, when he led the team with six saves. He finished 2018 with a 2.47 ERA in 43.2 innings, with one start, but he will be counted on to be part of the rotation in 2019.

"He's been preparing for it the whole year," said Taylor. "He wants to do it. He wants to be the guy. He just has some presence about him."

Senior right-handers Allen Barry and Josh Hudson return after filling

starting roles last year. Both pitched in the 2017 postseason – Hudson earned the clinching win at the Chapel Hill Regional, and Barry pitched in relief in both Super Regional games. Barry led the way in wins last season, going 8-2 with a 3.83 ERA over 14 starts and 80 innings. Hudson was 4-4 with a 6.55 ERA.

Senior right-handed reliever Austin Leonard is back after going 2-1 with two saves and a 2.86 ERA last season. In 2017, Leonard threw three scoreless innings in the A-10 Tournament championship win.

"We have a lot of guys with experience, which I think matters," said Taylor. "We have guys who want to be in pressure situations and have been in pressure situations."

Junior Jaret LaCagnina (LHP) returns after posting a 3.97 ERA in 45.1 innings and starting five games – mostly against top-tier non-conference opponents — last year. Sophomore Pete Bloomberg (RHP) had a 3.34 ERA in 29.2 innings.

Taylor said seniors Dan Spear (RHP) and Sam Reinertsen (LHP) might be the most improved Wildcats on the mound and have earned more opportunities this spring. Luke Burton (RHP) has made strides as well, and fellow sophomore Jake Biederman (RHP) is working to return from a season-long injury.

A number of newcomers will get shots on the mound as well, including freshmen right-handers Gabe Levy, Alex Fenton and Blake Hely and redshirt sophomore Kieran Casey (RHP), a former University of Miami commit. Others providing depth are junior Charlie King (RHP) and freshmen Casey Kruger (LHP) and Noah Takac (RHP).



Senior Casey Sutherland has moved from closer to starter after posting a .247 ERA last season.